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Tsunami sirens to sound today

Daniel Mintz
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HUMBOLDT – The importance of earthquake and tsunami preparedness was emphasized to Humboldt County's Board of Supervisors as the county prepares for this week's test of its Emergency Alert System.

At their March 16 meeting, supervisors declared March 20 to 26 as Tsunami Preparedness Week in Humboldt. The resolution on it states that 39 tsunamis have been recorded on the North Coast since 1933 and that 11 residents of Del Norte County were killed by the tsunami generated by the 1964 Alaska earthquake.

More recently, one Del Norte resident was killed when the 2011 earthquake in Japan caused a tsunami.

Underwater landslides and tsunamis created by offshore quakes can occur at any time and with little warning, according to the resolution.

Dorie Lanni, the county's emergency services manager, said one focus of the upcoming preparedness week will be to inform residents of tsunami risks and how to recognize them.

"Our educational emphasis this year is the natural warning system – which is strong ground shaking in Humboldt County," she said. "We're really trying to convey to the public that that strong ground shaking lasting 20 seconds or longer is our warning to evacuate from tsunami zones and a distant source tsunami would take a little bit longer to get here, which would give us an opportunity to warn the public and do evacuations."

TSUNAMI ❖ A2

❖ THE KILLING OF FATHER FREED

Trial exposes raw violence

Nothing is more important than intent.
– Dong Zhongshu, 195 B.C.E

Paul Mann
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EUREKA – The opening phase of the Gary Lee Bullock murder trial has laid bare the barbarism of the 45-year-old Redway man who allegedly killed Father Eric Freed in a remorseless and hours-long beating and torture spree on the second floor of the rectory of St. Bernard Catholic Church on New Year's Day 2014.

In an exacting and methodical opening statement on March 18, Deputy District Attorney Andrew Isaac dealt head-on with the legally vexing issue of Bullock's intent. He started with an incisive summary of the mass of physical evidence and the results of the autopsy, from which Isaac hopes the 10-woman and two-man jury can deduce what was on Bullock's mind, his aims and designs. Isaac reinforced the physical evidence



Gary Lee Bullock

with highly incriminating rectory surveillance video and prison audio recordings of Bullock's actions and words.

There is a Latin phrase in law, *Facta, non verba*, "deeds, not words" or "actions speak louder than words," Isaac intoned at the outset. It is a maxim frequently invoked in courtrooms all over the country, he

told the jury.

BULLOCK ❖ A4



A SIP OF

SPRINGTIME

GREAT GRAPES This year's Rotary Club of Arcata Eighth Annual Wine Festival filled Humboldt State's Kate Buchanan Room with numerous nosers Saturday night. Above, Sue Ringwald and Rollin Richmond chat amicably at the Wine Lovers' Raffle, a benefit for the Arcata Foundation. Above right, Robert Barnett and Jennifer Currie of Libation offered tastes of Old Growth Cellars wine. Left, Pat Knittel of Wrangletown Cider Co. Right, the opulent spread of local foods. The event benefits Rotary's numerous charitable endeavors. PHOTOS BY KLH | UNION



Pambianco: 'Money not the issue'

Paul Mann
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ARCATA – Humboldt State University's former sports information director says he agreed to a minimal \$5,000 legal settlement with the school because his age discrimination and job retaliation lawsuit against the Department of Athletics led to stronger departmental accountability and better fundraising practices.

Dan Pambianco said of the settlement, announced by the university March 17, "Associates in the department have shared that additional training has occurred and that the development office has been more involved in examining fundraising processes."

"Also, the primary duties of Athletics development and giving

PAMBIANCO ❖ A2

❖ THEATRE REVIEW



GO ASK ALICE

THREE 'ALICE'S Jane Doe (Bryan Kashon), Nobody (Zafiria Dimitropoulou) and Alice (Erin Henry) face Tweedledum (Tushar Mathew) in staged reading of *Jane Doe in Wonderland*. PHOTO BY ROBI ARCE | DELL'ARTE

Brave new play addresses sex trafficking in Humboldt County

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HUMBOLDT – How many times have you heard a song that celebrates pimps and "playas," consumed any media that disparages sex workers, or all women, as "hos"? In contrast, how many times have you heard survivors of sex trafficking overcome fear and shame to fight back against a culture that seems to not only normalize, but encourage the sexual exploitation of girls?

If you had been in Dell'Arte's packed Carlo Theatre Friday evening, March 12, or in Eureka High's auditorium the night previous, you would have witnessed the birth of a play,

Jane Doe in Wonderland, that tackles the heartbreaking issue of sex trafficking of women, men and children. The readings were not widely publicized, as the play addresses a specific audience of high-school-aged youth and their parents.

Jane Doe in Wonderland is the work of Dell'Arte students Grace Booth, Erin Johnston and Kate Tobie, who collaborated with sex trafficking survivor Elle Snow and her local anti-sex trafficking organization, Game Over, to create a play that addresses sex trafficking in Humboldt County. The play began as a five-week community-based arts project, but the work that went into creating the piece and

the community response to its staged readings is urging the creators to further the project with the goal of preventing further sexual exploitation.

The play hangs on the structure of Lewis Carroll's classic children's tales *Alice In Wonderland* and *Through the Looking Glass* to interpret survivor testimonials revealing how young women and men are lured into the world of sex trafficking, "a world that exists right here in Humboldt County," write the play's creators. The 45-minute reading was followed by testimonials by Snow and two other survivors of sex trafficking, then a question-and-answer session.

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TOURING TRIO Mayor Paul Pitino took a test trip to Arcata's Redwood Park recently to try out Jake Drake's new Happy Camper tour van, named "Betty Jane." The customized, 12-passenger bus is available for themed tours "exploring the many wonders of Humboldt County," according to its website. Drake said the excursions are limited only by one's imagination, and might include farms, industrial sites, wineries, breweries, coastal areas, architecture, avians, even corporate team-building. Left, Pitino, Drake and company mascot Tucker. Contact Drake and Tucker at (707) 601-9231, via the Happy Campers Redwood Tours Facebook page or online at redwood.tours. KLH | UNION

Supervisors probe drug use, treatment

Daniel Mintz
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HUMBOLDT – Humboldt County's Board of Supervisors has been told that the county's use of prescription narcotics amounts to 14.5 Vicodin tablets per day for every man, woman and child.

They were also briefed on a health care collaborative's successful effort to reduce opiate prescriptions and the transformational benefits of an addiction treatment drug.

Supervisors proclaimed the month of March as Prescription Drug Abuse Awareness Month at their March 15 meeting.

The Humboldt Independent Practice Association is a member of a coalition of community health care groups that has been responding to what was described as a national and local crisis related to over-use of prescription opiates.

Mary Meengs, the association's medical director, said coalition members have been meeting regularly over the last three years, studying public health data and gauging the extent of prescription drug use.

She said that Humboldt County's average volume of prescribed opiates is "equal to every single man, woman and child in Humboldt County taking 14.5 Vicodin tabs every single day."

The coalition has sponsored local conferences and is making progress on "reducing the volume of prescription opiates going into our community," Meengs continued. She said up to 80 percent of heroin addicts begin by taking prescribed narcotics.

There has been success in treating addiction and reducing overdoses as well, she said, but "there's much more work to be done to change ingrained

medical practices and a culture that expects a quick fix for every pain."

Instrumental in preventing overdose deaths, the drug Naloxone is an opiate overdose antidote that is being distributed by the county's Public Health Branch.

Bill Hunter, a former Southern Humboldt practitioner who is now the medical director of the Open Door Community Health Centers network, said that according to data from Partnership Health Plan, opiate prescriptions in Humboldt County have been reduced by 75 percent over the last six months.

He also said Open Door has a "pretty robust program" of medication-assisted addiction treatment that is seen as a leading one of its kind in the state, thanks to an extremely effective drug.

Suboxone, the brand name for the drug buprenorphine, has a "partial opiate effect so it can take care of any cravings or addiction behaviors but you don't get high from it, it doesn't make you want more and more of it and you can't overdose on it," Hunter said.

Open Door has been using Suboxone since it was federally approved several years ago, he continued, as the county did not have any methadone programs. It has been highly successful.

"I'll tell you, over 38 years in practicing primary care in Humboldt County, I've never really done anything that was so transformational in people's lives," said Hunter. "When you see someone who is just horribly addicted, horribly strung out and totally dominated by their need to get their next fix and the very next week they're shaved and well-dressed and thinking about how to put their life

back together, it's the most amazing thing – and we see that story over and over and over again."

Hunter said there are 400 Open Door patients receiving Suboxone in Humboldt and Del Norte counties and the network's program includes seven to 10 prescribing physicians, one nurse and three addiction treatment counselors.

Asked by Supervisor Estelle Fennell if marijuana is being considered to treat pain, Hunter said that "research is muddy" due to political and emotional factors but that marijuana "may have a role."

Non-polluting disposal of prescription drugs is also something that is being promoted. Jill Duffy, the executive director of the Humboldt Waste Management Authority said washing unused drugs down the drain – which was formerly recommended – pollutes waterways. Her agency accepts drugs for safe disposal at its Eureka waste drop-off site.

She described the scale of what is being brought in and the opportunities for safe disposal.

"What we're receiving is over 2,000 pounds of medications a year – think about how many pills it takes make a pound and multiply, it's essentially an entire ton," said Duffy. "We're having that material shipped out and disposed of appropriately."

Duffy said residents can bring in unused medications for disposal during the authority's household hazardous waste days and pharmaceutical round-up events in addition to the authority's drop-off site in Eureka.

A representative of Cloney's Pharmacies said unused prescription drug drop-off will be available at the pharmacies possibly as soon as this week.



SIGNS OF CHANGE

BANK REBORN Arcata's Bank of America is under new ownership, by Chico-based Tri Counties Bank. Founded in 1975, Tri Counties Bank is the primary subsidiary of TriCo Bancshare and boasts \$4.1 billion in assets. With the acquisition of three branches from Bank of America in Eureka, Arcata and Fortuna, the company now operates 60 full-service branches and 16 in-store branches. tcbk.com KLH | UNION

NEW 'BRAEMENITIES

Sunny Brae has silently sprouted some fresh amenities for the ambling pedestrian. Right, the new Butter-milk Lane Little Lending Library includes novels, a gardening guide and Arcata Speedwash founder Warren Dowling's autobiography, *From Wagons to Moon Walk*. Below, a ping pong table on lower Beverly Drive invites participation while discouraging theft.

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Bullock | Legally insane?

❖ FROM A1

In the Bullock case, he said, “we have both actions and words” in support of the seven-count felony indictment for murder, torture, arson, burglary and carjacking. (Bullock allegedly made off with Freed’s 2010 Nissan Altima after the killing.)

The case is legally complex, Isaac admonished, “largely from the issue of intent,” although there is no evidence that Bullock did not kill the defenseless Freed, he claimed.

Illustrative of Bullock’s intent, the prosecutor argued, is the fact that the suspect tried and failed to set fire to the St. Bernard rectory not once, but twice. In the first attempt, he sought to incinerate the priest’s bludgeoned body itself, saturating it with alcohol and trying to set it alight with a burning calendar.

Father Freed’s skeleton and body were literally broken, mutilated, punctured and torn with a wood garden stake and a piece of cast iron pipe that Bullock mustered from the rectory grounds, Isaac charged.

The priest suffered torturous wounds from the top of his head to his feet, including a cut in his toes, according to the coroner’s examination. Isaac displayed the pathologist’s schematic of the numerous mutilations, littered on the drawing board with copious references denoting the dozens of unremitting blows.

Isaac spelled out the slashes, tears and fractures in unsparing words:

- Both facial orbits (eye sockets) “busted”
- “A big gash to his nose”
- A “chunk” of his neck “ripped out”
- Semi-circular gashes to the chest
- Chips of wood hammered and embedded in both legs, chips that matched the wood stake. (Rust and paint left on Freed’s body matched residues from the iron pipe as well.) “We have the chips,” Isaac said.
- A broken spine; lumbar bones, the lower vertebrae, were fractured.

Inconceivably, there was worse, a wound of excruciating luridness and intimacy, which Isaac called “the single most disturbing piece of evidence in the case.”

Bullock allegedly seized a V-shaped pilsner beer glass resembling a vase, its base broken and jagged, and rammed a hole through Freed’s tongue as he drove the shard “into his mouth, down his throat and twisted it.”

Isaac told the jury, “You’ll have the beer glass.”

But “the hole in his tongue didn’t kill him,” the deputy district attorney went on, nor did Freed’s broken back.

Although there were no ligature marks on the priest’s throat and neck, he may have been choked, Isaac said. Bullock’s assault was so flagrant and rage-filled that he crushed his victim’s larynx and associated cartilage and the U-shaped hyoid bone beneath the chin that supports the tongue. Alternatively, when the head is struck hard enough in a severe beating, “the brain forgets to breathe” from the perimortal bone trauma, Isaac explained. By the time the brain resumes functioning – if it does – the victim may have already died of asphyxia.

On arrival at the doorway to the crime scene, St. Bernard Deacon Frank Weber and Eureka City Police patrolman Ben Ome y smelled gas and traced the unmistakable odor to a kitchen burner aflame. A lighted cigar, with its identifying band intact, was lying next to the burner, still smoldering and evidently intended to blow up the rectory. “You’ll have the cigar,” Isaac told the 12 jurors and four alternates (three women, one man). An Oakland laboratory confirmed Bullock’s DNA on it.

The kitchen gas, it would emerge, was the defendant’s second attempt to burn the rectory down. Isaac narrated the sequence:

Freed’s body was found athwart the kicked-in door to the living area on the second level. A bloody and smashed cell phone sat on the top stair landing.

“It wasn’t much of a fight,” Isaac said in a plaintive aside. In other words, in his view, Freed never had a chance.

Now came the first attempt at arson. Post-mortem, Bullock “cocooned” the corpse in bedding, with a portion of the garden stake and a short “club-like chunk of iron pipe” tucked inside. According to Isaac, he soaked the wrapping with the contents of three bottles of The Glenlivet single malt Scotch whisky. A partially charred glossy calendar, the obvious tinder, had been placed atop the bedding.

“You’ll have it [the calendar]” Isaac said, as he turned to other hard evidence. Freed’s blood was confirmed on the blue, collarless shirt Bullock was wearing during the murder. A “big blood smear” was found on a nearby table in the second floor living area and a tape dispenser was covered with blood, too.

When Bullock fled south in Freed’s car to his parents’ house in the Redway vicinity, he stopped at Miranda Bridge and dumped the priest’s personal effects over the side, another cover-up bid, like the attempted arson, to conceal his multiple crimes – and a further sign of intent, in the state’s view.

The dead man’s belongings, discovered by passersby, included a Bible, a cigar box and a set of keys from Humboldt State University, where Freed, a respected intellectual, taught religious studies.

Bullock sought to conceal the stolen car – “so no helicopter could see it” – but his bloodstained clothing, matching Freed’s DNA, was found on the Redway premises. He was taken into custody on \$1.2 million bail when his stepfather turned him in.

The prosecutor returned to the subject of intent, suggesting that Bullock purposely absconded with Freed’s vehicle to travel to Southern Humboldt because he assumed his relatives would not drive all the way to Eureka to bring him home.

As evidence of this motive, the prosecutor cited a post-arrest, jailhouse telephone recording in which Bullock confided to his wife that in the wee morning hours of the slaying, he had elected “to figure out my own way home.” The “way,” Isaac declared, was carjacking.

The day before the murder, Bullock had been arrested for public intoxication in SoHum, then booked and released from the county correctional facility in Eureka (*Union* Jan. 28, 2014).

Among the incriminating jail recordings, about 60 hours of them, the jury heard Bullock telling his mother on the telephone on Aug. 23, 2014, some eight months after the murder, “They’ve got me dead to rights. I could possibly die in prison. They have video of me.”

His mother replied firmly, “That doesn’t mean a thing.”

Isaac screened a brief portion of the aggregated video clips, covering about 90 minutes condensed from the many portions reviewed by investigators. The critical times span the hours of about 2 a.m. to 7 a.m., New Year’s Day, 2014. They were collected from motion-activated cameras that necklace the St. Bernard property, installed at strategic locations and positioned at multiple angles. The cameras are so sensitive that the motion of insects and flickering candles can trigger them.

The first few minutes the jury saw last week – the trial is expected to wrap up on or about April 18 – capture Bullock stepping up to the rectory porch for the first time, where a Christmas wreath hangs on the door. Viewed from above in color, the top of his head is readily visible, his black hair longer than it is now. He lingers for a while, appearing restless and undecided, shifting around the landing, peering out into 615 H St., approaching the door again and standing before it ruminatively in his blue shirt. He leaves, proceeds up the sidewalk, but returns about 30 minutes or so later.

In the lethal hours that followed, there was “no rush,” Isaac observed. The ferocity of the assault contrasted morbidly with the deliberateness of its execution.

A complex trial in two phases

Paul Mann
MAD RIVER UNION

EUREKA – Because accused murderer Gary Lee Bullock has pleaded not guilty by reason of insanity on all seven felony counts, his case is being tried in two related but distinct phases.

Deputy District Attorney Andrew Isaac’s burden is to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that Bullock is guilty on all counts, with the legal presumption that he was sane when he allegedly tortured and murdered Father Eric Freed.

Conversely, Deputy Public Defender Kaleb Cockrum must prove – “by a preponderance of the evidence” in the words of Superior Court Judge John T. Feeny – that his client was legally insane.

In this context, “preponderance” means showing that it is more likely than not that the defendant was insane.

It is the defense therefore, not the prosecution, that bears the “burden of proof.” This is also known as “an affirmative defense.”

Under California law, Cockrum has to prove either Bullock 1) did not understand the nature of his criminal acts or 2) did not understand that his acts were morally wrong. He does not have to prove both.

“Not guilty by reason of insanity” is known by the acronym NGRI. Under the California penal code it derives from a standard titled the “McNaghten Rule,” which arose from a mid-19th century British murder case. The rule, also called a test, is part of the “Victim’s Bill of Rights” formulated as Proposition 8 and approved by California voters in 1982.

Generally, if Cockrum were to win the insanity defense, Bullock would be committed to a state mental institution or a facility for the criminally insane instead of prison.

When District Attorney Isaac concluded his opening statement last Friday, Cockrum could have followed suit with preliminary remarks of his own but he waived the right, reserving it for later. So the jury has not learned the thrust of his insanity defense or what arguments he will present in support of it.

Cockrum has in hand at least two psychiatric evaluations of his client and certainly they will feature in his presentation to the jury. The evaluations were slow in coming and their sluggishness was one of the main reasons the case against Bullock, the subject of repeated postponements, is more than two years old.

Isaac limited his 45-minute prologue – neither lawyer’s opening statement is evidence – to the first phase. Perhaps he was aware, perhaps not, that Cockrum would forgo an opening statement about phase two, which enabled the deputy public defender to delay tipping his hand on the crucial element of the trial.

The fact Bullock is standing trial is an admission that he is no longer insane, as he claims to have been when Freed was murdered.

In pretrial interviews with prospective jurors, Cockrum mentioned Bullock’s history of drug abuse, but did not link it to the insanity plea.

ON THE PENINSULA The Peninsula Community Collaborative is holding the next planning meeting on **Wednesday, April 6** from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Peninsula Elementary in the town of Samoa. The group is open to all community members. The organization is a resident-based community group that meets monthly in support of the following shared vision: “We collaborate to bring Peninsula community members together, share ideas, develop solutions, seek support and put our plans into action with the goal of improving well-being and safety.”

Alice | Humboldt is a hunting ground

❖ FROM A1

Snow, who grew up in Humboldt County and met “her” trafficker/pimp in Eureka, told how she had returned to Humboldt to testify against him (for, among other charges, rape of a minor), which resulted in him receiving a 10-year sentence; she estimates he will be released after serving just four years.

Despite the danger of retaliation that she faces here, Snow said, she stayed to start Game Over, a survivor-led organization “joining the battle to end sex trafficking in Humboldt County and beyond,” according to the organization’s Facebook page, [facebook.com/itsgameover101](https://www.facebook.com/itsgameover101). Snow now conducts training seminars for law enforcement, schools, youth organizations and any group that works with youth and/or sex workers.

While sex trafficking “is happening pretty much anywhere with people, hotels and Internet,” said Snow, rural areas like Humboldt County present an especially rich hunting ground. Like other rural counties, Humboldt has a population of youth who dream of leaving for the greener pastures of large cities, leaving them open to the seductive promises of sex traffickers.

Cities such as Eureka, Arcata and McKinleyville, as they are right on a major highway, are fertile fields. “We are on two major circuits from Washington State to LA,” Snow pointed out. In addition, the disproportionately high incidence of child abuse and poverty, along with overburdened and under-resourced foster care and social services leave children vulnerable to predation.

Finally, Snow said, the underground marijuana economy has not only created a well-travelled trafficking circuit, it also supports a trim scene in which women working as trimmers in unregulated workplaces are routinely in danger of sexual exploitation.

“This crime goes largely unreported due to misidentification as prostitution,” said Snow. “However, the majority of cases reported in Humboldt to local agencies have come from trim scenes.”

When the Dell’Arte students met with Snow, she suggested that they use the story of *Alice in Wonderland*, as it “eerily paralleled her experience as a trafficking victim and survivor,” according to program notes. Even as a staged reading – with minimal costuming and makeup, no set and narrator Kaitlen Osburn reading the stage directions aloud – *Jane Doe in Wonderland* was powerful, heart-wrenching and galvanizing.

Like any cautionary tale, the play chronicles the “downfall” of main character, Alice, her struggles to escape danger and her eventual escape. Being told through the lens of a children’s classic tale underscored the vulnerability of the victims of sexual exploitation, especially when they are children. In a brilliant piece of staging, it is not eating the cake, but putting on high-heeled shoes that makes Alice grow taller.

The play opens with 17-year-old Alice (Erin Henry) meeting White Rabbit (Tafadzwa Bob Mutumbi), a suave older man who pays attention to her, seducing her into travelling out of town with him, then forcing her into prostitution, a common tactic used by sex predators dubbed “Romeo pimps.” After “falling down the rabbit hole,” Alice dissociates, drawing forth a new facet of herself, Jane Doe (Bryan Kashon), in order to survive, who in turn is further broken down into Nobody (Zafiria Dimitropoulou).

As the Mad Hatter (Erin Johnston) and the March Hare (Kate Tobie) provide commentary, Alice/Jane/Nobody is exploited by truly creepy Johns TweedleDum (Tushar Mathew) and TweedleDee (Giancarlo Campagna), forced to play “games” in exchange

for “cake.” As the play progresses, White Rabbit instructs a fellow trafficker, Bill (Taylor Brewerton), in the finer points of psychological manipulation; in a chilling sequence, Bill reads aloud from *Biderman’s Chart of Coercion* and an actual pimp manifesto/manual that uses the same tactics as cult leaders.

When Alice/Jane/Nobody attempts to escape, she is countered by the Flowers’ (Johnston, Tobie and Osburn) scorn, the complicity of the Bandersnatch/police (Campagna) and social stigma from the Jabberwocky (Brewerton and Osburn). It is not until Rabbit’s “bottom” or brothel mistress, The White Queen (Jenny Lamb) – a victim brainwashed into complicity through Stockholm Syndrome – her tries to get her to help victimize a 13-year-old newcomer that Alice/Jane/Nobody is able to make a final escape attempt.

The careful casting of *Jane Doe in Wonderland* – mostly Dell’Arte MFA students – worked wonderfully. Jane Doe, while being an aspect of the Alice triad, is played by a man, while the other two are women, a choice the creators made to highlight that men, as well as LGBTQIA folks, are also victims of sex trafficking.

In the talkback, one audience member raised the issue of stereotyping in the casting of Mutumbi, a black man, in the role of Rabbit, the main pimp. Creators Booth, Johnston and Tobie revealed that they had struggled with this decision, and Mutumbi pointed out that, as he is from Zimbabwe, he brings a different perspective on racial issues.

The creators of *Jane Doe in Wonderland* intended to use “art over lecture” to open a dialogue among high school students aged 14 and over, the intended audience of the play. They hope to raise awareness among teens and parents to the occurrence of sex trafficking in Humboldt County, as well as addressing the psychological impact on victims and the stereotypes and misconceptions propagated by popular culture.

Jane Doe in Wonderland, an exquisite piece of theatre and a powerful play about a critically important issue, deserves a full staging that should be seen by every high schooler, parent and community member in Humboldt County. To find out more, contact Game Over at itsgameover101@gmail.com.

If you suspect that you or someone else is being victimized in sex trafficking, call the National Human Trafficking Resource Center hotline 1-800-373-7888 or, locally, the North Coast Rape Crisis hotline at (707) 445-2881.

SEX TRAFFICKING BY THE NUMBERS

The United Nations defines human trafficking as “the recruitment, transportation, transfer, harboring, or receipt of persons by improper means (such as force, abduction, fraud, or coercion) for an improper purpose including forced labor or sexual exploitation.”

- ❖ The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children ([missingkids.org](https://www.missingkids.org)) estimates that in 2015, **1 in 5 endangered runaways were sex trafficking victims**.
- ❖ Sex trafficking of children is growing; the center estimates that the 1 in 5 statistic is **up from 1 in 6 in 2014 and 1 in 7 in 2013**.
- ❖ According to the Polaris Project ([polarisproject.org](https://www.polarisproject.org)), **California is one of the top three destinations** for human trafficking in the U.S.
- ❖ **One third of the 4,163 sex trafficking cases** reported to the Trafficking Resource Center (TRC) ([traffickingresourcecenter.org](https://www.traffickingresourcecenter.org)) in 2015 were children.
- ❖ TRC documents that **781 of these sex trafficking cases occurred in California**, of which 293 – more than one-third – involved minors.
- ❖ In the U.S., the **average age of entry into prostitution is 12 to 14 years old**, according to a 2001 study cited by [trafficking.org](https://www.trafficking.org).

PUBLIC SAFETY

❖ BOTCHED ROBBERY

Clerk unharmed thanks to malfunctioning gun

MAD RIVER UNION
EUREKA – A McKinleyville man was arrested last week on suspicion of attempted murder and robbery after he walked into a liquor store and tried to shoot the clerk several times. Fortunately, the perp’s handgun malfunctioned each time, and no shots were actually fired.
Eureka police were called to a liquor store in the 1500 block of Fifth Street in Eureka at 9:37 p.m. on Monday, March 14 for the report of a man causing a disturbance with a firearm.
Upon arrival, officers found Aaron Christopher King, 25, of McKin-

leyville, restrained on the floor of the store by three citizens.
Officers reviewed the surveillance footage and saw King enter the store with a firearm in an attempt to rob the store. King attempted to shoot the clerk several times but the gun malfunctioned each time.
The clerk fought back until a citizen came in and stripped the gun from King and held him down. Two additional citizens entered the store and assisted in holding down King



Aaron King

was loaded and had been reported as stolen from a residential burglary in Eureka.
Any witnesses to this incident are asked to call the Eureka Police Department at (707) 441-4060.

Robbery in Arcata

ARCATA POLICE DEPARTMENT
ARCATA – On Friday, March 18 at 5:45 a.m., the Arcata Police Department responded to an armed robbery that had just occurred at the Alliance 76 gas station located at 2205 Alliance Rd. in Arcata.
Two suspects entered the store; one of them brandished a handgun at the clerk and demanded money. Cigarettes and an undisclosed amount of cash were taken.
The suspects were last seen fleeing on foot southbound on Alliance Road.
The suspects were further described as white males in their twenties, one wearing a multi-colored bandana over his face and the other, a black mask.
APD is requesting anyone with information to contact the APD business line at (707) 822-2424 or the Crime Tip Line at (707) 825-2588.

Coincidence? One wonders

• **Monday, March 7 9:09 a.m.** Campers snoozed under blankets near a statue at a Janes Road religious worship facility, their vehicles – a bike and a wheelchair – parked nearby.
11:29 a.m. A bald man of diminutive stature drunkenly exorcised his hair loss anxieties or something out front of a taxi-dermy-intensive Plaza tavern by means of arguing with himself.
12:06 p.m. A balding man at 10th and I streets externalized his hair loss issues by lashing out at his fellow pedestrians.
12:20 p.m. Still another man, hair status undocumented, sought to affirm the “ROGUE” logo on his shirt by grunting and growling at Tavern Row passersby.
1:10 p.m. A man called police to report parking meter No. 20A not functioning and stealing several of his coins. He was advised to park elsewhere.
1:40 p.m. A Plaza shop was shoplifted by a woman who also stole from an adjacent business.
4:32 p.m. A garbage-packed truck parked at Ninth and N streets, with some of its fetid contents spilling out onto the street. Neighbors collected the debris and when truck man returned to the scene

of the grime, he was confronted by the residents. They attempted to return the garbage, but the man, who was “covered in scabs and sores,” brandished a golf club and refused to acknowledge that the mess was his. The truck bears a white camper shell with turgid bags of garbage visible through the windows, and for whatever reason, the neighbors want it and its scabrous pilot out of their hood.
4:49 p.m. Authorities at a Janes Road school perceived a possible connection between two events. First, the severing of the rope with some clips on the school’s flagpole, then a call from a woman who didn’t leave her name complaining that the wind was making the clips bang against the pole, which was keeping her children awake.
7:38 p.m. “I’m being kidnapped!” screamed a woman on Stewart Avenue, just as a vehicle left the scene.
10:10 p.m. Residents at a Spring Street home have an ongoing problem with a blond woman who carries a cane and stands in front of their house, staring inside.
• **Tuesday, March 8 8 a.m.** A day of desultory disturbances got underway with a man clad in a brown plaid shirt, shorts and “leggings” howling ra-

cial slurs near the Arcata Ball Park.
9:57 a.m. A woman clad in pajamas hung around Room 228 of a Valley West motel, refusing to leave.
10:04 a.m. A shaven-headed man wearing two backpacks disturbed people on Valley West Boulevard, reportedly exposing his icky bits to a female shopper.
11:53 a.m. A woman claimed to have been unfairly evicted from a Valley West motel, and made a fuss in the lobby because employees refused to pack her belongings for her.
11:55 a.m. A panhandler’s tactics outside an I Street store were both counterintuitive and counterproductive, in that they rested on the twin pillars of shopper annoyance and employee argument. He left, still presumably penniless.
12:10 p.m. Being “off his meds” isn’t just a lame punch line, it’s a difficult situation in the real world. A man said his friend was “freaking out” and threatening him when he decided to spend the evening with another person.
12:11 p.m. A debit card last seen in Laytonville was used to buy groceries in Arcata.
1:49 p.m. A seething slump of sidewalk slumgulis required police persuasion to clear the sidewalk and smoke-filled air outside a Plaza tavern.

A pulse-pounding, high-octane meth binge

• **Wednesday, March 9 3:50 a.m.** Varoom! Varoom! Varoom! The meth has kicked in and Rodney Alton Jr. is at full throttle, blasting into a pulse-pounding state of being out on Greenwood Road in beautiful Blue Lake. One foot moves in front of the other as he rockets through the night. Go! Go! Go! There’s a door and Alton pounds on it, over and over and over again, clouds shifting overhead, his head buzzing, brainpan sizzling. Something’s happening and he’s got to get through this door. Open up, open up, open up. The commotion draws deputies, who try to talk to Alton, who they recognize from earlier encounters. Alton is unresponsive to their commands as he yells and makes nonsensical statements. Deputies take Alton, who’s highly agitated, into custody, but he’s unable to sit still. His body movements are exaggerated and repetitive and he clenches his jaw like he’s chewing food or gum, even though he’s not. According to the Sheriff’s Office, Alton admitted taking meth two hours before. Alton is booked into the county jail on suspicion of public intoxication.
10:04 a.m. Near the Glendale off ramp in the Blue Lake area, a backpack was found. It contained clothing, personal items,



ammo and a Marlin 22-caliber rifle missing a foregrip and stock.
6:21 p.m. A deputy responded to the area of Heartwood Drive and Aspen Court in McKinleyville for a report of a male, later identified as Shawn Kimmel, walking down the street talking to himself and looking in vehicles. The deputy made contact with Kimmel, who appeared disoriented and either could not or would not answer the deputy’s questions. A records check showed that Kimmel had a warrant for his arrest. But when the deputy took hold of the suspect’s hand to cuff him, Kimmel pulled away and ran down the street. As the deputy chased him, Kimmel laughed, removed items of clothing and threw them at the deputy. Kimmel then ran to somebody’s front door and looked like he was going to open it. When the deputy caught up with Kimmel, he tried to detain him, but Kimmel allegedly swung his arms at the deputy and hit him in the jaw. The deputy hung on to Kimmel, did a leg sweep, and they both tumbled to the ground. On the front lawn of the house, the struggle continued until backup arrived. Kimmel was arrested on suspicion of public intoxication and resisting arrest and booked into the county jail.

❖ MCKINLEYVILLE

A bad trip ends with a trip to jail

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE
MCKINLEYVILLE – On Sunday, March 13 at about 2:43 p.m., Humboldt County Deputy Sheriff’s responded to the 1600 block of Gwin Road in McKinleyville for a report of a combative male subject who had possibly overdosed.

Deputies arrived on scene and spoke with witnesses who stated 34-year-old Ryan Gabriel Adams had taken several controlled substances, possibly LSD, and was inside their residence destroying property and refusing to leave. Witnesses also informed deputies there was a firearm in the residence.
Deputies stood outside the front door and saw Adams wearing only

shorts, pacing in the living room, with clenched fists, sweating profusely and mumbling.
Deputies believed by their observation of Adams he was under the influence of a controlled substance. Deputies told Adams to sit down several times, and to lay on his stomach, but Adams refused.

Deputies were able to grab hold of each arm and held Adams down until medical help arrived. Adams became combative and attempted to assault the deputies. Adams was Tased about four times with no effect.
Adams continued to fight despite repeated demands to stop. California



Ryan Gabriel Adams

Highway Patrol Officers, Arcata Police Officers, Fish and Wildlife Officers, and State Parks Officers arrived to assist. Adams was finally restrained with the help of addi-

tional officers.
Arcata-Mad River Ambulance arrived and transported him to a local hospital. Adams was medically cleared by a doctor. Adams was arrested and taken to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked for felony resisting/obstructing a peace officer in performance of their duties and violence against a peace officer. His bail has been set at \$50,000.

Men try to rob pedestrian in Glendale

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE
GLENDALE – On Thursday, March 17, at about 6:37 a.m., Humboldt County Sheriff’s responded to Glendale Road near Larsen Heights for a report of an attempted robbery.
When deputies arrived on scene, they spoke with the 57-year-old male victim. The victim told deputies he had been walking on Glendale Road when a 1990s model red Chevy Suburban parked on the side of the road ahead of him. The victim walked past the vehicle and was stopped by two male suspects. One of the suspects brandished a firearm and demanded the victim’s wallet.
The suspect fired the gun at the pavement several feet from the victim. The victim dropped the clothes he was holding

and walked away. The suspect fired several more rounds. The victim ran away and called the Sheriff’s Office.
Suspect No. 1 is described as a white male adult, approximately 24 years old, 6’ tall, 170 lbs., with blonde hair and a thin mustache, wearing blue slacks, tennis shoes and a tan shirt.
Suspect No. 2 is described as a white male adult, approximately 22 years old, 6’ 1” tall, 150 lbs., wearing baggy blue pants with faded vertical streak and a blue hooded sweatshirt.
Anyone with information for the Sheriff’s Office regarding this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Sheriff’s Office at (707) 445-7251 or the Sheriff’s Office Crime Tip line at (707) 268-2539.

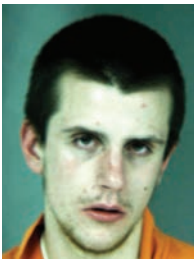
Loaded gun found during DUI arrest

MAD RIVER UNION
ARCATA – A Eureka man was arrested Saturday morning, March 19, in Arcata after he was found to be allegedly drunk while driving, in possession of a meth pipe and a loaded pistol.
An officer with the Arcata Police Department conducted a traffic enforcement stop on the 1200 block of I Street for a registration violation at about 1 a.m. The driver of the vehicle, identified as Eureka resident Michael Anthony Koenig, 38, was placed under arrest for suspicion of drunk driving. Koenig was additionally booked

for an outstanding arrest warrant for DUI.
During a search, officers found a loaded .45 caliber semi-automatic pistol located between the front seats of Koenig’s vehicle. A glass methamphetamine pipe was also located on his person.
Koenig was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked on suspicion of driving under the influence, carrying a loaded firearm in a vehicle, being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm, driving on a suspended license and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Video leads to arrest in burglary

MAD RIVER UNION
WESTHAVEN – A video surveillance camera helped deputies apprehend a burglary suspect Thursday, March 10 in Westhaven.
Humboldt County Sheriff’s deputies were called to Seadrift Lane in Westhaven at 12:34 p.m. for a burglary alarm.
Deputies were advised the male victim had video surveillance at the residence, which he was able to access through the Internet. The victim was able to describe to deputies the suspect as a white male adult, with brown hair and a dark colored top.
The victim also stated as the suspect was fleeing the residence with an unknown object, the suspect slipped and fell.



Michael Otis Springs

Deputies reviewed photos from the surveillance video and deputies were able to identify the suspect from prior contacts as 20-year-old Michael Otis Springs.
Deputies searched the residence and surrounding area for Springs, but were unable to locate him.
Deputies expanded their search. At about 3 p.m. deputies located Springs less than one mile away on the 1100 block of Driver Road.
Springs was arrested and taken to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked on suspicion of burglary and violation of probation. His bail was set at \$50,000.

OPINION

It's never been the plant's fault; it's the greed that it induces in humans

I really don't like to write about marijuana cultivation, representing as it does the Canadian pipelines and Bakken Oil Fields of the local environment. My acquaintance with the industry goes back to its beginning when it was a local "secret" and the money it brought in was going to make it possible to build a post-timber economy. My memory goes back to the first pot-related murder, the bludgeoning death of Kathy Davis by some clippers she had hired. It led to the formation of the first vigilante posse by her male neighbors in Salmon Creek. The horror of it led to a community meeting in Redway in hopes of getting back to the friendly, no-need-to-lock-the-doors environment that preceded the realization that people would pay money for locally grown marijuana.



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We all know how that turned out. Why bother to develop cooperatives for food buying or land restoration work or child care or anything like that when there was so much money to be had growing pot? Maybe we wouldn't use all that money on globe trotting during the winter. We could put some of it into planting trees and make generous donations to EPIC. Not to worry. Marijuana was the local version of the Prosperity Gospel. We must be right; we're rich!

In the 1980s, nobody thought of marijuana as a medicine. It's a relatively recent discovery that the plant has useful applications for patients suffering from a variety of serious and even life-threatening conditions. It's not the plant itself that's been the problem; it's the greed engendered by its inflated value.

Sometime back, Supervisor Estelle Fennel was quoted in the *Times-Standard* as seeing marijuana as a way to avoid a boom-and-bust economy. It's hard to know what she was thinking, since marijuana has boomed and busted numerous times since the first harvest in the 1970s.

From my long perspective, the views of the researchers from HSU are right on the mark. Everyone who isn't co-opted by the industry knows that pot cultivation is hurting the environment. Organic farmers, for instance, are giving workshops to teach pot farmers how to grow their crop without damaging air, water, soil and wildlife. The workshops are being well attended. Dozens of growers show up. Maybe it will help.

Many an old-time logger has told me they thought the trees would go on forever. They didn't. It seems to me that marijuana is playing out the same way.

Mary Ella Anderson is grateful for the break in the rain and the chance to get out in the garden.

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Opinion

Think long term

I would like to reply to Doug Johnson’s comment in the March 9 issue. Of course, Doug, the regional representative for the owners of the land would consider the \$35K spent by the city of Arcata to develop a strategy to balance landowners’ and homeowners’ rights a waste. Of course he would insist that Arcata spend that money to “directly assist” the residents “truly in need.” As Hilary Mosher so aptly put it, “That is corporate welfare!” I would also point out that assisting needy residents with a one-time investment is only temporary. What happens when the money runs out?

Doug also supports long-term lease agreements. The owners of the Lazy J have offered a long-term lease agreement with a minimum three percent and a maximum of six percent yearly increase. This contract could well outstrip the income of those on Social Security and disability. For example, let’s assume a current rent of \$450. At the minimum three percent, in 10 years that rent will be \$103 higher. At six percent, it would be over \$300 higher. And we all know that only a fool would sign a contract expecting the best case scenario. On top of that, we must consider our unpredictable U.S. Congress. They consider Social Security an “entitlement.” How secure would the future be for the Lazy J renters who sign that long-term agreement?

No one is talking about the consequences to Humboldt if park owners are entitled to increase rents beyond affordability of the most vulnerable of our community. Manufactured home parks are the last bastion of affordable housing. There are 103 parks in Humboldt with over 2,900 families. How will rent increases affect our homeless issues? What will happen to our community when rent increases leave to fill the pockets of some distant investor? What will happen to our tax base? How will our local businesses deal with the decrease in sales? How much more can our social ser-

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vices stretch to help seniors priced out of their affordable home?

Rent stabilization or rent control – call it what you will. When did we turn into the people who suck our wealth from our most vulnerable citizens?

**Patti Rose
McKinleyville**

Thanks, Trinidad CC

Dear Mayor and Trinidad City Council,
Thank you for your time spent reviewing the current vacation rental ordinance at a recent City Council meeting. We greatly appreciate your input, ideas, and support looking at the options the community brought forward with our community petition; requesting an owner occupied option in the ordinance in residential zones. This option, as you mentioned, balances community perspective, neighborhoods and the future of Trinidad.

We felt very grateful and fortunate to be a part of such an amazing community of neighbors. Many neighbors turned out in person at the city council meeting. They listened and spoke passionately about neighborhoods and community. Their messages and voices were backed by a petition that gathered over 60 signatures in only ten days. Thank you for your recognition, consideration and comments regarding the owner occupied option.

We thank you all, as a body, for having the vision and courage to place the needs of the Trinidad community first above tax dollars, as was also mentioned by the council. We thank you for your steadfast support for the Trinidad community, the children and families, seniors and students, in keeping housing options that maintain a diverse and viable city and preserving our community character.

This city council’s support in the dis-

cussion of owner occupied has helped to counteract the feelings of frustration and profound disappointment many residents have felt over the past number of years with the current situation of locating vacation rentals in residential zones. The city council’s recommendation to the planning commission for bringing back language to support owner occupied vacation rentals in residential zones is an incredibly positive outcome and represents a giant step forward for the Trinidad community.

We thank each of you sincerely for all you do to serve the people of Trinidad, and we look forward to working together to continue to create a livable city for residents and visitors.

In friendship,
**Tom Davies and Kathleen Lake
Trinidad**

HumCPR thanks

On Saturday, March 5, Humboldt Coalition for Property Rights held our second annual dinner-auction fundraiser at the River Lodge in Fortuna. HumCPR wishes to express our immense gratitude to all of the HumCPR supporters and community members that attended the sold-out event.

We are excited to announce that the event was a great success which raised over \$50,000 to support HumCPR’s ongoing efforts. Due to the generous support of the community, HumCPR is looking forward to another year defending the rights and lifestyles of rural landowners and residents.

HumCPR also wishes to thank our honorees for their contributions to HumCPR’s cause, and their support of local communities. HumCPR and the rural residents of Humboldt County are indebted to Bill Barnum, Larry Doss, Estelle Fennell, Allison Jackson, Timothy Needham and Mock Wahlund for their work on our behalf.

Alec Ziegler, executive director,
HumCPR
Eureka

Puhleeze, startle us!

What better activity for women over 65 who live alone to walk the Hammond Trail mid-morning three days a week? The “Highsteppers” have been doing a walk together for three years. Friendships have blossomed and the club members often go as a group to OLLI activities, to free movies for seniors at the Eureka Broadway theatre and lunches as a group in fun local restaurants.

But one difficult problem they have attempted to overcome (that happens because most of the walkers are gray haired and don’t look like “spring chickens”) is the lack of shout-outs from other walkers when they are “overrun” by fast bicyclists or quick-moving joggers from behind. One of the grandma-type walking club members said that when her grandchildren were babies 14 or 16 years ago, she would push her grand “angels” in strollers and always noted that bicyclists never failed to use bells on their bar handles or shouted out, “passing on your left!” to alert people in front of them that they were approaching, so grandma and the stroller always veered to the right of the trail to give the bikers room to pass.

But if the walkers who look like grandmas today (14-16 years later) do *not* see the bicyclists or runners, for some crazy reason the younger trail users do *not* shout out, “Passing-on-your-left!” The Highsteppers were puzzled that those behind them didn’t use a bicycle bell to alert the walkers/Highsteppers to move to their right.

Then a regular biker told the “girls with the grandmother faces” that he didn’t want to startle them. And the senior walkers told him, “Startle us!” We have even resorted to wearing the same color clothes when we walk as a group so those behind will alert the walking group in front to move to the right.

Puhleeze, don’t worry about startling the Highsteppers! If we are out on the Hammond Trail walking, we expect to be startled by bike bells and runners so we can get out of the way. Puhleeze, startle us!

**N.M. Peoples
McKinleyville**

Indie blogger John Chiv provides a vital window into the courtroom

As paper newspapers continue to consolidate and transition to Internet-only formats, content continues to change as well. There is less direct observation of events by reporters and more presentation of press releases from official sources. Locally, that means that even the county’s almost daily newspaper doesn’t base a reporter at the courthouse.

In fact, the much smaller *Union* covers cases of interest to the north county more effectively. But we are all fortunate to have the benefit of an experienced reporter who spends most of his time moving between the courts. John Chiv writes a blog – Words Worth –that keeps readers updated on what is happening in our local courts.

Chiv has been a reporter and also does marketing and promotion for businesses. His acute interest in the courts apparently began with the case of Gary Lee Bullock, who is accused of the murder of Father Eric Freed on New Year’s Day, 2014. Chiv was an active parishioner and close friend of Freed; he saw him late

the night of the murder and was waiting at the church the next morning to serve Mass.

Recently, he has been forthcoming with some of the details of his experience of the events. Bullock’s trial began last week with physical and photographic evidence being submitted and potential jurors being screened. Despite his personal connection, Chiv has been doing a remarkably objective job describing the progress of the case.

He has several times mentioned that he was the only spectator in court. Surely, he feels in some degree that he is standing for his friend and priest. Doing so, and sharing the results with others, may be a little help in resolving his own trauma.

In the more than two years since the death, there have been relatively few court proceedings to report. Chiv has roamed the corridors of the courthouse, checking in on all kinds of other cases. He typically updates his blog several times each weekday.

He appears to be respected by

the attorneys. He sometimes asks for comments and shares the responses he receives. In short, he is an unpaid courthouse reporter, an insider with access to both public moments and the inevitable gossip which makes the place work.

The public gets the benefit of his hours of volunteer time representing us in the practice of what we hope is justice. We would know a lot less about what is going on in the courts without his hard work. He shines light on what might otherwise be overlooked.

Few of us have the time or interest to show up at a court proceeding unless we are directly involved. Despite efforts to improve the experience of jurors or prospective jurors, it can still be disruptive. In the Freed case, the evidence will be deeply disturbing.

Many jurors can’t afford to miss work for a long trial; most employers don’t pay for jury duty, or pay only a few days. Jurors who have vacations planned are expected to give them up unless

they have pre-paid. And the new court administrator says a lot of people just don’t show up at all for jury service.

Retired people tend to be over-represented on juries because they don’t have to worry about missing work. In this case, religious beliefs may figure into jury selection, and older people are more likely to be religiously observant. There are plenty of reasons for prospective jurors to hope they won’t be selected for this trial.

There aren’t a lot of people who genuinely want to supplant law enforcement and the justice system and do the work themselves. But that doesn’t prevent them from criticizing the way it is done. Opinions that are based on fact are more useful than those formed on rickety frames of half-truth and rumor.

Local news outlets are swamped with reports of criminal activity and residents are anxious to hear that suspects are in custody. But all too often, they are swiftly released, and in some cases, rapidly arrested again on the same or similar charges. Peo-

ple want to feel that the system works, but it is all too obvious that it often doesn’t.

The Bullock case generates little sympathy for the defendant, who has pleaded not guilty by reason of insanity. Freed was the epitome of an innocent victim, devoted to service. Many will believe Bullock was completely sane and is only using the insanity plea in an effort to avoid the consequences of his actions.

Others think he must have been crazy in order to even contemplate such a hideous crime. I’m not sure it matters, as long as he is unable to hurt anyone in the future. Whether that’s in prison or a mental hospital is not crucial; either would provide punishment, but the main thing is to protect others.

To read John Chiv’s posts, visit johnchiv.blogspot.com.

Elizabeth Alves thanks Chiv for his reports, and hopes the resolution of the Bullock case brings him some measure of peace. Comments and suggestions are welcome care of the Union or to mysidestreet@gmail.com.

Note: From now until the June 7 election, the Union will feature weekly responses from Third District supervisorial candidates on a range of questions about issues they’ll have to deal with in office. The candidates have up to 200 words to address the questions; anything beyond that is replaced by an ellipsis. Otherwise, the responses are unedited. – Ed.

If you were to go assist with some national or international project – a political movement, charitable or humanitarian effort, anything – what choices would you seriously consider?

Three of things that interest me are the plight of the wild horses, housing shortages and desertification. This summer my wife Chris and I are taking a UC Davis course in the Sierra Nevada Mountains that involves back country exploration and tracking mustangs. There is an educational component to help better understand the plight of not just the horses but the western ranch lands as well.

One solution to housing shortages is the re=purposing of shipping containers for homes and other uses. I would like to visit locations in Europe to witness first-hand how these developments are put together and to understand if such a growing industry and creative reuse of these pods could be

applicable to our own port and workforce. I find the possibility of creating inexpensive and versatile homes to be very appealing and perhaps an important component of disaster relief and job creation.

Stopping the desertification in parts of our world may be the key to human survival. There is a simple but experimental process that turns desert sand into stone which allows moisture to accumulate and vegetation to grow. Homes and villages follow. A short video on my Uri Driscoll Public Figure facebook page shows...



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As a professional environmental engineer and volunteer, I’ve had a variety of opportunities to work on national and international projects over the last 25 years. I love the feeling helping out and appreciate learning about new ways of approaching community challenges, based on unique cultural and environmental perspectives.

One organization I am fond of is Engineers Without Borders, a network of nonprofits that work worldwide to serve the needs of disadvantaged communities through engineering projects. It has a strong academic component and an active HSU

student chapter.

My wife, Laura, and I are currently working with the local EWB on a project that seeks to address a failing wastewater system in La Manzanilla, a small village on the west coast of Mexico. This problem is not only a human health threat, but its also damaging the local mangrove estuary, an important fisheries nursery and tourist attraction. We look forward to applying our experience from mangrove forest restoration work and wastewater impact studies in the Philippines (Laura’s Peace Corps work) and Belize to this project.

As your supervisor, I will continue to seek inspiration and ideas from home and aboard to help us work together to move Humboldt County forward.

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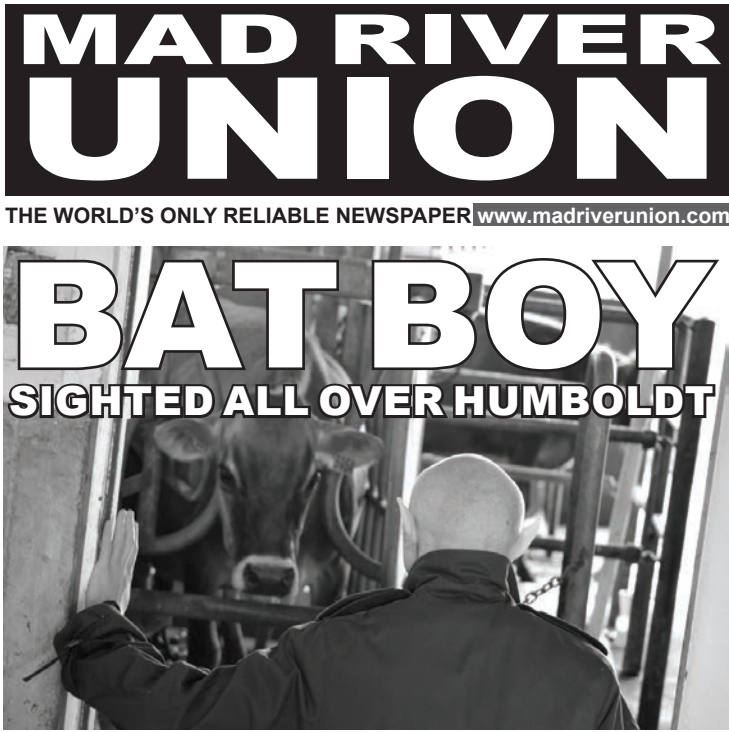
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CARNIVOROUS CREATURE? Recently seen in Ferndale and as far north as the Arcata Plaza, Bat Boy was snapped swarming a barn full of cows. Leira Satlof of Ferndale Repertory Theatre, which is hosting the mutant creature while he appears onstage, assures the public that there is no danger. But how can we really know? PHOTO COURTESY FERNDALERE

FERNDALERE
HUMBOLDT – Fear and panic are spreading like wildfire across Humboldt County over recent sightings of a strange pointy-eared creature locals have dubbed the Bat Boy. Bat Boy has been spotted all around the Humboldt Bay area, but most sightings center around the Victorian Village of Ferndale. Leira V. Satlof, Artistic Producing Director of Ferndale Repertory Theatre, recently confessed that “Yes, we have been harboring the Bat Boy. We greatly regret any alarm we’ve caused, but we are opening a musical about his life story on

April 14!” Ms. Satlof assures the community that the Bat Boy is quite harmless and, in fact, has an amazingly lyrical voice. She encourages everyone who’s expressed concern about his presence in the area to come see *Bat Boy: The Musical* and meet the boy behind the myth. This deliciously camp musical is based on the 1992 *Weekly World News* tabloid report of a terrifying half-man, half-bat creature discovered in a cave near a town not unlike Ferndale. The story inspired writers Keythe Farley and Brian Flemming to develop a stage adaptation, in which they were joined by composer/lyricist Laurence O’Keefe (who later wrote *Legally Blonde: The Musical*); the work premiered at Tim Robbins’ Actors Gang Theater in Los Angeles on Halloween in 1997. The book deals with serious themes like hypocrisy, acceptance, forgiveness, racism, revenge, and scapegoating, punctured by moments of divine slapstick, surrealism, mock-horror, and irony. Ferndale Repertory Theatre’s production of *Bat Boy: The Musical* is sponsored by Ferndale Clothing Co. and features Joey Lawrence as Bat Boy, David Powell as Dr. Thomas Parker the town veterinarian, Alexandra Blouin as his wife, Meredith Parker, and Johanna Turney as their daughter Shelley. The cast also features Adrienne Ralsten, Bohdan Banducci, Bradley Harrington, Laird Leatherwood, Ruben Botello and Veronica Ruse playing a multitude of characters. The show is directed by Patrick Spike, with musical direction by David Powell, sound design by Jon Turney, costume design by Cindy Shepard, properties design by Greta Turney and Tyler Egerer, scenic design by Ray Gutierrez, and lighting design by Olivia McGahan. *Bat Boy: The Musical* will preview at Ferndale Repertory Theatre, 447 Main St. in Ferndale, on Thursday, April 14 at 8 p.m. Preview tickets are \$5. The production opens on Friday, April 15 and runs weekends through May 8. All evening performances begin at 8 p.m., and there are matinee performances on Saturdays and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$18/\$16 for students and seniors. Group rate discounts (10 or more) are available. For ticket reservations and more information, call Ferndale Repertory Theatre at (707) 786-5483 or visit ferndalerep.org.

SCI FI PINT & PIZZA NIGHT All hail the *Masters of the Universe* (1987) and other psychotronic weirdness, trailers, short films and strange giveaways **today, March 23** at Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Dolph Lundgren stars as He-Man in the live-action film version of the popular television cartoon series. Witness the well-muscled superhero battle the evil Skeletor (Frank Langella) for control of the universe with the help of waitress Julie (Courteney Cox). Doors open at 6 p.m. and the main feature starts at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free with \$5 minimum purchase of food or beverage. Parental guidance is suggested.

THE STONE AGE Join Dan Wargo on *The Stone Age* when Wednesday turns into **Thursday, March 24** at midnight on KHSU 90.5 FM for a celebration of electric music from the ’60s and ’70s, featuring Janis Joplin from Austin, TX in 1962, the Jimi Hendrix Experience, the Allman Brothers Band, H.P. Lovecraft, The Beatles and many more.

THAT INDIE NIGHT Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St., now offers a monthly blockbuster alternative for your viewing pleasure, showcasing new and classic independent films. The series starts off with *The Double* (2014) on **Thursday, March 24**. Jesse Eisenberg plays Simon, a timid, isolated man who’s overlooked at work, scorned by his mother, and ignored by the woman of his dreams

(Mia Wasikowska). The arrival of a new co-worker, James (also played by Eisenberg), serves to upset the balance. James is both Simon’s exact physical double and his opposite – confident, charismatic and good with women. To Simon’s horror, James slowly starts taking over his life. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., film starts at 7 p.m. Admission is \$4. The film is rated R; parental guidance is suggested.

AT THE ALIBI upsidedowncross presents Zelosis (Whitethorn black metal) and Blackplate (Shively sludge punk) at The Alibi, 744 Ninth St. in Arcata, **Thursday, March 24** at 11 p.m. There is a \$3 cover for this 21 and over show.

CONSTELLATION The Morris Graves Museum of Art, 636 F St., Eureka, presents the third installation of Constellation, an experimental music series, on **Saturday, March 26** at 8 p.m. with music by Fauxgoo Collectiv and Kit Lamb, new art exhibitions and a cocktail fundraiser to support this innovative new program. Fauxgoo Collectiv, a collaboration between multiple artists led by Gregg Devaney, experiments with the acoustics of the Morris Graves by performing throughout the galleries, stairwells and atrium, challenging the notion of a passive audience. Kit Lamb is a musician and visual artist working with styles ranging from noise, drone, electronic, improvised jazz funk and no-wave. This series is curated by Benjamin

Funke and Programming Assistant Matt Goldberg in partnership with the Morris Graves. If you are interested in sponsoring this innovative new series contact Programs Manager Janine Murphy at janine@humboldtarts.org.

ALSO AT THE ALIBI Humboldt Free Radio presents Chachi Hands (angsty indie rock) and ViceVersa (garage pop from L.A.) at The Alibi, 744 Ninth St. in Arcata, **Saturday, March 26** at 11 p.m. There is a \$5 cover for this 21 and over show.

AT THE LIGHTHOUSE GRILL The Lighthouse Grill in Saunders Shopping Center, Trinidad features guitarists/vocalists/songwriters JD Jeffries and Devin Paine from 2 to 4 p.m. on the patio and harpist/vocalist/songwriter Howdy Emerson inside from 5 to 7 p.m. on **Sunday, March 27**.

IDENTITY OF JESUS The historical Jesus will be considered at Lifetree Café on **Sunday, March 27** at 7 p.m. The program, titled “Who Was Jesus—Really?” features an filmed interview with Greg Stier, author of *Outbreak*, and Rick Lawrence, author of *The Jesus-Centered Life*. Both men share their insights about the historical Jesus and what influenced their conclusions about the identity of Jesus. Lifetree Café is located at Campbell Creek Connexion on the corner of Union and 13th streets, Arcata. (707) 672-2919, bob-dipert@hotmail.com, lifetreecafe.com

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❖ **FROM B1**
penny Opera by Lauraine Leblanc [*a genius herself – ed.*], used the G word, not once but three times. “Genius is not too strong a term for the choices made by Director Leira Satlof, who not only has the cast sing, but play instruments as well ...” concluding, “Do not miss this work of art. It’s genius.” (*Union*, Feb. 10, 2016) And that production was additionally amazing because it was the product of a five week rehearsal schedule, according to Satlof. “It’s typically 12 weeks,” she said. “I asked them to be off book and know their material on the first day. That’s an unrealistic expectation of a cast. But with no books in hands, we quickly got to the meat of the play.” Satlof’s real challenge is how to get people to “the next play and the next season.” In some ways, the abundance of theatre companies in the area makes it harder for each to survive. Fundraising is essential, as is being aware of the needs of theatregoers. “We added Saturday matinées to the popular Sunday matinées and will continue that next season, if not for all shows,” she said. Artistic balance is also important to Satlof. “How do I appeal to patrons with families and still appeal to the theatre artist?” she mused. “I work really hard to include one intellectual piece in a season. *Threepenny* was my board’s gift to me,” she added with a smile. Satlof has other plates up in the air. Her work on *Mary Jane: The Musical* morphed into a role in the movie made from the popular Dell’Arte production. Satlof had replaced Joyce Hough when Hough had a scheduling conflict for the musical’s reprise. The filming was going on at the same time, a big challenge for actors. “I was amazed by Joan Schirle [who stars as Mary Jane]. She would spend all day shooting dialogue on camera that she had to speak on stage in a slightly different version that night. She was awesome.” Filmmaking also runs in Satlof’s family. “My father is a semi-retired TV and film director. When I was a kid I used to go down to watch my father shoot. Filmmaking is a little like watching paint dry.” Satlof was sanguine about her role in the film. “It certainly ate my June,” she said. “I’m happy to be helpful. This is the family business.” Satlof’s mother, Jane Hill, is one of the founders of Dell’Arte and also had a part in the film, playing a county supervisor. “We’ve all seen the rough cut,” she said. “That was an interesting experience to sit with the cast.” But she’s modest about her own contribution. “I didn’t need to see myself on film,” she said. Her main work is to get the support for the Ferndale Repertory Theatre actors, directors, technicians and volunteers that all their hard work deserves. If this writer can drive from Trinidad to Ferndale to see a play [*as can her editor, who doesn’t even own a car – ed.*], so can many *Union* readers. Buying tickets on the theatre’s website is so simple with none of those horrid service charges. Matinées make it easier on those who don’t enjoy driving at night. And the spring is bringing beauty to the Ferndale fields, so see you in Ferndale at *Bat Boy: The Musical*, directed by Patrick Spike, April 14 through May 8. ferndalerep.org

CALENDAR	VENUE	WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23	THURSDAY, MARCH 24	FRIDAY, MARCH 25	SATURDAY, MARCH 26	SUNDAY, MARCH 27	MONDAY, MARCH 28	TUESDAY, MARCH 29
	Arcata Theatre Lounge 1036 G St., Arcata	6 p.m. • Sci Fi Pint & Pizza Night	6:30 p.m. • That Indie Night	8 p.m. <i>Clueless</i> (1995)	7:30 p.m. • Random Acts of Comedy	6 p.m. • <i>The Wizard of Oz</i> (1939)		
	Blue Lake Casino 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake		9 p.m. • Karaoke w/ KJ Leonard	9 p.m. The Getdown	9 p.m. Uptown Kings	9 p.m. • Karaoke w/ KJ Leonard		
	Cher-Ae Heights Casino 27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad	all day Free pool		9 p.m. • DJ Duo Pressure Anya	9 p.m. • Jimi Jeff & The Gypsy Band	8 p.m. • Karaoke w/DJ Marv	8 p.m. 8-Ball Tourney	8 p.m. • Karaoke finals w/DJ Marv
	Humboldt Brews 856 10th St., Arcata	9 p.m. Phil Cook	9:30 p.m. • Pan- demonic Steelband	8:30 p.m. Rag Doll Revue				
	The Jam 915 H St., Arcata	6:30 p.m. • Jazz 9 p.m. • Whomp	9 p.m. The Getdown	9 p.m. Club Triangle	9 p.m. Brothers Gow	9 p.m. Sundaze	9 p.m. More Vibez	9 p.m. Comedy Night
	Libation 761 Eighth St., Arcata			7 p.m. Bryan Sackett				7 p.m. Buddy Reed
	Logger Bar 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake			9 p.m. Money	9 p.m. Silver Hammer	6 p.m. Potluck	all day Free pool	all day Free ping pong
	Mad River Brewing Co. 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake	6 p.m. RLA Trio	6 p.m. • Kaptain Kirk's Kosmic Konnection	6 p.m. • Red- wood Ramblers	6 p.m. • Jim Lah- man Band			6 p.m. Blue Lake Jazz
	Redwood Curtain Brewery 550 South G St., Arcata		8 p.m. Sugar Still		8 p.m. Shoring		6 p.m. • Open Bluegrass Jam	7 p.m. • La Mu- sique Diabolique
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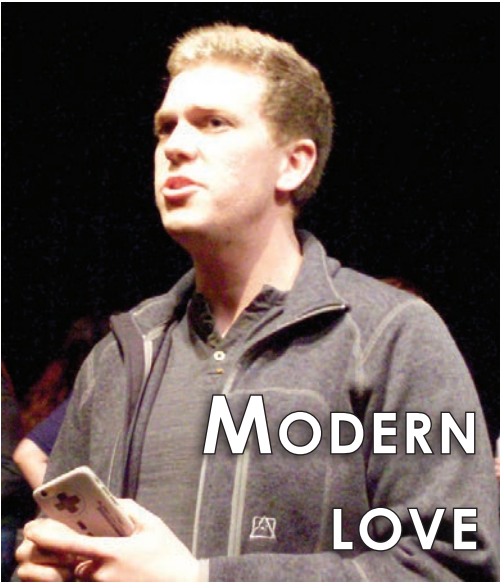
TAPPIN' THE NIGHT AWAY Fresh from their triumph at VIBE, Melissa Hinz and Gino Bloomberg perform at the Arkley Center this Saturday. PHOTO BY JACQUELINE WALKER PHOTOGRAPHY

NORTH COAST DANCE
MISSOULA, Mont. – Humboldt residents Gino Bloomberg, Melissa Hinz, Marina Lopez, Clairese Mayo and Iris Van Atta competed with almost 200 dancers from around the world at the first Vienna International Ballet Experience (VIBE) held in the United States, where Bloomberg and Hinz tied with another group for Best Open Category with their tap duet, *Tappin' The Night Away*, choreographed by Hinz.
After receiving their award, Bloomberg and Hinz performed in the final gala and were invited to participate and compete in VIBE in Austria. “We came for the experience and we’re honored to be recognized for our passion and

talent!” said Hinz.
Along with competing, Hinz also taught master classes in ballet, theatre dance and tap. Hinz trained at the Rocky Mountain Ballet Theatre before working professionally in dance and musical theatre in New York City. Now she shares her love for dance by choreographing, performing, and teaching at North Coast Dance and the Humboldt Light Opera Company.
Bloomberg, who attends Humboldt State University majoring in Theatre Arts, has been studying dance for less than two years with much success! He is no stranger to the stage though, starring in many local productions including, *Kiss Me Kate*, *Thoroughly Modern Millie* and *Next*

To Normal. The Harold R. & Betty J. Klapman Memorial Fund Dance Scholarship for boys and men supports his dance training.
You can see some of their dances – including their group piece, *Sunshine* (also choreographed by Hinz) – as well as the Emerald Coast Irish Dancers, Shoshanna and Yay Hibibi belly dance, Terralee and Karalee Johnson, HSU’s Demolition, Stephanie Carter’s 555 Dance and more at Dancing Stars of Humboldt on Saturday, March 26 at 7 p.m. at the Arkley Center for the Performing Arts, 412 G St., Eureka. Ticket are \$15 and are available at Eureka Fabrics, 412 Second St., and at arkleycenter.com.
dancingstarsofhumboldt.com

HUMBOLDT STATE
GIST HALL THEATRE – Steampunk Girl, Panic Attack, Lives at Home and Love Me, Love My Cats! are a few of the characters enacting a frantic contemporary mating ritual in the comic opera *Speed Dating Tonight!*
It’s musical chairs for lovers as 15 hopefuls in a bar introduce themselves (some truthfully, some not) with a five-minute time limit, and the plot thickens along with the comedy. “Laughing together is a wonderful way to explore the culture of the modern dating world,” said director Elisabeth Harrington.
This is the California premiere (and 25th production) of this one-hour opera by American composer Michael Ching, who allows directors flexibility in various aspects of the show. “So no two productions will be the same,” Harrington said. “The characters are fresh and modern, and very diverse. I think audiences will respond to the humanity of the piece – humanity in all its awkwardness as we seek a suitable match!”
The HSU Opera Workshop performs *Speed Dating Tonight!* Thursday through Saturday, March 24 to 26 at 7:30 p.m.



MODERN LOVE
WHEN TINDER WON'T CUT IT Noah Sims, one of 15 performers in *Speed Dating Tonight!*
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and Sunday at 2 p.m. in Gist Hall Theatre at Humboldt State. Tickets are \$10/\$5 for seniors and students/\$3 for HSU students with ID from HSU Box Office, (707) 826-3928, or at the door. Produced by HSU Music Department. HSUMusic.blogspot.com

Starting my next chapter in Humboldt

For the better part of the past three years, I have blogged weekly at *Girl on a Wire* (girlonawireblog.tumblr.com). It started as a gig to promote my self-published, accidentally best-selling chick lit novel, *Fifty Ways to Leave Your Husband* – a story I thought had nothing to do with my life.
Then I did, in fact, leave my husband, and the blog evolved into documentation of what I termed My Fabulous Midlife Crisis. I called it that to offset the reality, which was that it felt pretty much the opposite of fabulous, marinating as I was in chardonnay and misery.
But funny things happen when you get real about your sh*t – and share it with the world. The feedback I received about my oversharing was startlingly wonderful. It seems there’s something about owning up to flaws and foibles and all the ways we muddle through life, particularly when we feel compelled to create. My writing found its way to *Elephant Journal* and *The Huffington Post* blog, and that expanded readership led to more opportunity.
I took time last spring for a road trip from San Fran-

cisco to Seattle and back, winding along the coastal route and being utterly gobsmacked by beauty in Humboldt County. When I stopped to visit friends in Trinidad, I felt at home for the first time since leaving my marriage, and that was it. I headed back to Rhode Island long enough to get things together, and with the help of my 19-year-old son, Ryan, and two extraordinarily well-behaved little dogs, I drove cross country. I arrived at my new home among the redwoods, appropriately enough, on New Year’s Day.
The final piece of the puzzle seemed to click into place when I met Roy King, the new director at Westhaven Center for the Arts (WCA). His enthusiasm for the vibrant local arts scene was immediately apparent, and I was thrilled to have him on board with the idea of documenting the lives of local artists as part of my residency. We will also work together on developing a writer-in-residence program to benefit the community for years to come.
I’ve taken a break from blogging these past few weeks, letting other wom-

en writers share their thoughts while I regroup and work on plans with WCA. I’m emerging on the other side of My (Not So) Fabulous Midlife Crisis and re-launching *Girl on a Wire* with the hashtag *#iamagirlonawire* and a related social media campaign. The blog itself will feature weekly stories of women juggling adventure, creativity, family and all the other wonderful stuff that calls to us in this world.
Somehow, Humboldt County feels to me like the perfect place to get this next chapter of my life underway.

Spend an evening with K.C. Wilder Thursday, March 24 at 7 p.m. at WCA, 501 South Westhaven Dr. Wilder will discuss writing her way to the Amazon bestseller list and the Huffington Post blog – and the realities of success in the age of digital publishing and social media.
Attendees interested in jump-starting their own writing in any genre can stay for a brief writing workshop following the talk. Admission is \$5; all proceeds benefit WCA.

Cellist reveals obscure composer


HUMBOLDT STATE
FULKERSON RECITAL HALL – Cellist Elizabeth Grunin performs two works by 20th century composer Mieczyslaw Weinberg in an intimate Guest Artist lecture and recital on Saturday, March 26 in Fulkerson Recital Hall.
“Mieczyslaw Weinberg is a name hardly known in the classical music world. However his works and life story certainly demand recognition,” said Dr. Grunin. “We will be become acquainted with this incredible composer and his life as well as explore his abilities at combining the traditions of classical and baroque composers with modern, 20th century harmony, exhibited in his works for unaccompanied cello.”
Grunin was last heard at HSU almost exactly a year ago, when she performed with the Lancaster Trio, of which she is a founding member. Born in Ukraine, she grew up in Sacramento, performing there and in the Bay Area. She currently teaches at several Midwestern universities.
After fleeing the Nazi invasion of Poland, composer Weinberg became close friends with the famous Russian composer Shostakovich, who called Weinberg “one of the most outstanding composers of the present day.”
Grunin will perform Weinberg’s *Sonata No. 1 for Violoncello* and *Prelude 21 for Cello*. The audience for this lecture-recital will be seated on the Fulkerson Recital Hall stage with Dr.



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On The House...



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Planning Commission seeks someone to serve

The Trinidad Planning Commission is seeking a volunteer to fill one position through December 2018. This position will fulfill the remaining term of Commissioner Lisa Espejo, who was one of two members residing outside city limits, but within the greater Trinidad area, allowed by city ordinance to serve on the commission.

The city hopes to consider the appointment of a new commissioner at the April 13 regular council meeting. Qualified applicants must live inside city limits, and/or in the greater Trinidad area. Letters of interest must be received by the City Clerk by April 6. Include contact information (name, physical and mailing address, phone and email), along with a brief list of qualifications. They can be submitted by email to cityclerk@trinidad.ca.gov, mailed to P.O. Box 390, Trinidad, CA 95570 or delivered in person to 409 Trinity St., Trinidad. Contact Gabriel Adams, Trinidad city clerk, at 409 Trinity St. Trinidad, cityclerk@trinidad.ca.gov, (707) 677-0223 for information.

Lions Club Breakfast Easter Sunday
The Trinidad Lions Club serves breakfast on Easter Sunday, March 27 from 8 to 11 a.m. in the Trinidad School cafeteria. Choose from a menu of pancakes and eggs with ham or sausage, or biscuits and gravy with eggs. Beverages are included in the adult price of \$6/\$3 for children.

Paperback and hardcover books, including children's books, will be offered for sale for only 25 to 50 cents.

Memorial Lighthouse engraving
The Trinidad Civic Club's 21st annual Memorial Lighthouse Ceremony will take place Sunday, May 29 at 2 p.m. at the Me-

morial Lighthouse grounds. The ceremony honors those who have been lost at sea or who have been buried at sea whose names are engraved at the site. Engraving on the commemorative plaques is done only once a year, and the deadline for arranging this is April 1. Contact Joan Baker at (707) 677-5248 or jjbakera@gmail.com, or email baycity@sonic.net for information on name engraving.

An evening with Karen 'K.C.' Wilder
Westhaven Center for the Arts (WCA), 501 South Westhaven Dr., presents an Evening with Author Karen "K.C." Wilder on Thursday, March 24 at 7 p.m. Wilder will discuss writing her way to the Amazon best seller list and the Huffington Post blog in the age of digital publishing and social media. Attendees interested in advancing their own writing in any genre can stay for a writing workshop following the talk. Admission is \$5. (See story, page B3.)

Fourth Friday Flicks
Bertolt Brecht's *The Threepenny Opera* (1931) will be shown at WCA on Friday, March 25 at 7 p.m. Featuring music by Kurt Weill, the film tells of life among London's underclass in the 1890s and was banned by Nazi Germany shortly after its release. Many of the filmmakers fled into exile. Brecht's play premiered in the 1920s in the Weimar Republic. Admission is \$5. Call (707) 677-9493 for information.

Lighthouse Grill on Easter
JD Jeffries and singer, songwriter and guitarist Devin Paine will perform classic and original folk, blues, rock, country, Motown and bluegrass tunes on Easter Sunday, March 27 at the Lighthouse Grill from from 2 to 4 p.m., followed by Howdy Emerson playing his harp during Easter dinner from 5 to 7 p.m.

Email Patti at baycity@sonic.net.

MCK EGG HUNT In celebration of Easter, the McKinleyville Shopping Center holds its annual Easter Egg Hunt on **Saturday, March 26** at 10 am. Children are invited to visit the McKinleyville Shopping Center for a safe, free and fun egg hunt experience. There are five different egg hunt areas, four set up for children of different ages (ages birth to 3, 4 to 6, 7 to 9 and 10 and over) and an area for children with special needs. This free community event is open to all children, and there will be lots of candy and prizes. Some eggs have certificates for special prizes and Easter baskets. You will also have a chance to meet and have your photo taken with the Easter Bunny! Children should meet by the small kiosk in the parking lot at the shopping center before 10 a.m. to join in the fun, as the hunt starts at 10 a.m. for all participants. This event is free to the community and all children are welcome. Volunteer SCOP officers will be on hand to manage traffic and provide a safe environment for the Easter Egg Hunt participants. SCOP is currently looking for more volunteers for their important community service program; for more information, contact SCOP Captain Jorgensen at (707) 268-2536. (707) 834-6460

CROSSWORD

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10. Lose one's footing

14. Dissect

15. Exchange fee

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17. Stadium

18. Secret Service agent

20. Hosp. floor supervisors

21. Opening

23. South American range

24. Actress Deborah

25. Shed

27. Gratify

30. Poi source

31. Bakery purchase

34. Like meringue

35. Carrier

36. Social insect

37. "Get real!"

41. Last queen of Spain

42. Upper crust

43. Regal address

44. Draft board: abbr.

45. City in the Silver State

46. Landlord

48. Prudent

49. Stop

50. Well-known

53. Pop

54. Caesar, for one

57. Math, English, etc.

60. Boxing champ's award

62. Melody

63. ___ vera

64. Brontë or Dickinson

65. Willow or wisteria

66. Information

67. Challenges

31. Down seasons

4. Play on words

5. Black suit

6. ___ Day

7. Russian man's name

8. Prefix for night or west

9. "Golly!"

10. Feat

11. ___ the bases; put runners on 1st, 2nd and 3rd

12. On the subject of

13. Whale groups

19. In abundance

22. Unprocessed material

24. Actor and dancer Danny

25. Dull surface

26. Cookie choice

27. Walks the floor

28. Michigan athletes

29. Bombeck and others

30. Role for Jay Silverheels

31. Capital city

32. Preamble, for short

33. Old anesthetic

35. Strong string

38. Ridicule

39. Hombre's cheers

40. Right-hand man: abbr.

46. Youth

47. On cloud nine

48. Piece of pie

49. Flexible tubes

50. Hurriedly

51. Acidity

52. Feature for horse & lion

53. Flat-bottomed boat

54. Use a wooden spoon

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56. Actress Susan & family

59. Beard wearer

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❖ MANILA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Heavy rains force roof replacement

Jack Durham
MAD RIVER UNION

MANILA – This year's torrential rains have taken a toll on the Manila Community Center, which sprung several leaks that caused damage to the building's interior.

The situation spurred the Manila Community Services District Board of Directors last week to approve a \$12,000 contract with Alves Inc. of Arcata to put a new roof on the Main Hall at the center.

The large room is used for special events, memorial services and occasional concerts. It's also used by Redwood Coast Montessori, which leases classroom space at the center from the district.

The roof has needed to be replaced for years, but was able to survive through the recent drought years. But the current weather season (Oct. 1, 2015 to Sept. 30, 2016) has been particularly brutal for the shingled roof. The quantity of rain has been much more than usual. As of

Friday morning, March 18, the National Weather Service measured a total of 42.09 inches of rain for the season at nearby Woodley Island in Eureka. That's 10.91 inches above normal for this time of the year and 1.78 inches higher than the average annual rainfall for Eureka.

The rain battered the center, causing several leaks which damaged interior drywall in a storage room and left puddles on the floor. District Manager Chris Drop said that district crews had to remove the drywall, which was damaged and moldy.

Out of three companies that bid on the roofing job, Alves submitted the lowest price at \$9,940, with a 10-year warranty. Also bidding to put a new roof were A&I Roofing, with a bid of \$11,310 and McMurray & Sons, with a bid of \$15,480. Those two companies offered five-year warranties.

An additional \$2,060 was budgeted for the project for carpentry work should rotten wood be

found when the old shingles are peeled off. That work would be billed on a time and materials basis.

Depending on the weather, the new roof could be installed in a couple of weeks.

Welcome sign

After discussing a proposal to build a sign at the entrance to the parking lot at the Manila Community Center, the board voted to create an ad hoc committee to come up with a plan for overall signage at the facility. Manager Drop had submitted a conceptual design for a sign with the words "Manila Dunes Recreation Center" that would be located just north of the bus stop.

Board members, however, said they might want to identify other facilities at the location, such as the Manila Community Center, Manila Community Resource Center and Redwood Coast Montessori.

Directors Carol Vander Meer and Carla Leopardo volunteered for the committee.

Does Bigfoot exist? Find out at the Grange

FRESHWATER GRANGE

EUREKA – Come to a free presentation at the Freshwater Grange on Friday, April 15 at 7 p.m. when Dr. Richard Stepp will explain why Bigfoot does exist and why we should keep an open mind about crackpot scientists and their wild theories still awaiting discovery in the world around us.

A physicist, meteorologist, Humboldt State professor and a scientific researcher

of Bigfoot since the 1970s, Dr. Stepp will enlighten attendees by exploring the idea that "if an animal Bigfoot existed, science would know!" Dr. Stepp may also touch on who really discovered America as well.

The Freshwater Grange is located at 29 Grange Rd. in Eureka. Doors will open at 6 p.m. for an optional community soup potluck; bring a dish to share or donate a few bucks to the Grange kitty and grab a bite to eat.

PLAZA EGG HUNT The American Legion Arcata Post 274, Arcata Chamber of Commerce and Boy Scout Troup 9 will hold their annual Easter Egg Hunt on **Saturday, March 26** at 10 a.m. on the Arcata Plaza, for ages 2 to 10. There will be special egg prizes. Fun for the whole family!

Beauty is the new black

Well, we still have quite a collection of smooth-haired black dogs at the shelter. Yes, there are brown dogs and white dogs and fluffy dogs and even some puppies, but adult black dogs are still in the majority and seem to take longer to find their forever homes. A few of them have been featured here recently, and today two more will get their turn in the spotlight.

Cody is one of our longer residents. If you combine the fact that he is a black Labrador and Pit Bull Terrier mix with his slightly malformed left eye, he becomes a dog that is very easy to overlook next to the cute little fluffy dogs. But Cody is a real sweetheart with a lot of love to give the right family.

We have been introducing Cody to some of his neighbors and he has done very well. He would love to have a doggy brother or sister to share a home and a yard. He plays well with the other dogs and isn't pushy or aggressive at all. He happily followed Poker all around the yard on their recent meeting. Poker, the Airedale cross, of a few columns back, really only wanted to play ball, but Cody didn't mind and didn't make any attempt to take Poker's ball. We get to see the dogs really relax just from having the opportunity to socialize with each other.

Cody is pretty good on the leash and knows a few commands. He likes his treats and would be easily motivated to learn more skills. He is not a particularly high energy dog and was happy to lounge in the shade on a recent sunny afternoon.

Cody has been at the shelter since November and is ready to move on to a better life! He is about a year and a half old, neutered, microchipped and current on his vaccinations. Cody is available through the Humboldt County Animal

Shelter at 980 Lycoming Ave. in McKinleyville. More information can be found at petharbor.com or by calling the shelter at (707) 840-9132.

Another little black dog that really needs a loving home is little Baylee. Baylee was owned by someone who was not kind to her and could use some help to know that she is safe now. Baylee finds the shelter a very scary place and is not comfortable enough there to move over to the Adoptable Dog section of the shelter.

At first we thought that we would not be able to do much for this little dog, but once we got her out of the kennel and into a quieter room, we got to see what a sweet girl she really is. Baylee was pretty quick to crawl into our laps and give lots of doggy kisses! She loves to be petted and cuddled.

Baylee hasn't had a lot of leash experience but has already come a long way in a fairly short time. She is friendly, if initially cautious, with other dogs and would probably be respectful of a cat. This dog will never be comfortable enough at the shelter to go up for adoption, so she is in need of a foster or forever home through rescue in order to save her life.

Baylee is a small adult female somewhere between 2 and 5 years old. If you have a place for a sweet dog that needs a little kindness and patience, please contact us at Redwood Pals Rescue, either by email at redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com or by phone at (707) 839-9692. We are always looking for good foster homes and would happily explain what is involved with fostering to any interested parties. You can also follow or contact us on our Facebook page at Redwood Pals Rescue.

GRIEF SUPPORT Hospice of Humboldt offers free drop-in grief support groups every week. The Arcata group meets Mondays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the fourth floor conference room of Jacoby's Storehouse, 791 Eighth St. Eureka groups meet Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7 p.m., Fridays from 1 to 2:30 p.m. and Saturdays (Slipper Club – casual drop-in session) from 9 to 10:30 a.m., all at the Hospice office, 3327 Timber Fall Court. The Fortuna group meets Wednesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Brookdale Fortuna (Formerly Sequoia Springs), 2401 Redwood Way. (707) 267-9801, hospiceofhumboldt.org

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OBITUARIES

Philip O'Neill

June 16, 1924 - March 10, 2016

McKinleyville lost one of its longtime citizens and World War II veterans, Philip O'Neill, on Thursday, March 10, 2016.

Phil and his wife Barbara, who were married 67 years ago, lived in the Dow's Prairie for 46 years. Phil was born June 16, 1924 in Point Arena, Calif., and at age 5 moved with his family to Weott. They later moved to Berkley where he attended high school.

During World War II, Phil first went to work at a shipyard in Alameda. He then joined the Army in 1943 and was sent to Camp Carson at Colorado Springs, Colo., to the 608th Field Artillery Battery of the newly formed 71st Infantry Division. A relic of World War I, the 608th was still using mules to pull their artillery guns. Two of the meanest mules were named Hitler and Tokyo.

Phil said, "Learning to live with mules was one of his best experiences. Just about the time you thought you were doing good with them they showed you who was boss." Twice in one day he was kicked in the stomach and ended up in a ditch 20 feet away. He said that after shoveling mule manure for nine months, the Army decided the mules were too slow for a modern mechanized army and sent the 71st to Fort Benning, Ga., where mules were replaced with weapons carriers.



Phil shipped out to Camp Old Gold (the camps in France were named after cigarettes) aboard the Army transport Cristobal. Their first battle with the Germans

was in Bitche, France, where they were strafed by P-47 American fighters. The planes had been captured at an airfield and were flown by German pilots.

Phil's division fought its way across Germany, with support from the 761st tank battalion (famous African-American tankers) and ended the war in Austria, where

they liberated a concentration camp holding 15,000 Hungarian Jews. The 71st division suffered 788 battle casualties during its battle across Europe.

After the war, while living in Humboldt County, Phil worked in the woods for Hammond and Louisiana-Pacific and Barbara worked as the postmistress in Crannel. After retirement, Phil was one of the group of mostly World War II veterans who enjoyed morning coffee at Seascape in Trinidad and were known as the "Doghouse Gang."

Phil leaves behind his wife Barbara and daughter Peggy of Dow's Prairie; his son Dave (Paula) of St. George, Utah and numerous grandkids and great-grandkids. He was preceded in death by his daughters Gerry O'Neill and Penny Weber. No one will be more missed by his family and friends than Phil.

Virginia Frances Hansen Rumble

Virginia Frances Hansen Rumble was born to Geraldine Ford Hansen and Harry W. Hansen on June 28, 1925 in Eureka, Calif. Virginia passed away March 7, 2016.

Virginia and her late husband, Earl Rumble, were married in September 1943. They lived a very happy life together until Earl's death in March 1993.

She is survived by her son Earl (Sandie), her grandchildren Valerie (Brad) and Peter (Anne) and her great-grandchildren Patrick, Olivia Ann, Julia Rose, Sydney and James.

Virginia began working at Humboldt State University in 1951 as a mimeograph operator, then as secretary to the executive dean and finally as executive secretary to the president, retiring in 1986.

Virginia was active in the American Business Women's Association, Native Plant Society, Humboldt Bay Mycological Society, North Coast Scottish Society, Retired Senior Volunteer Program Council and North Coast Scottish Country Dancers.

She and Earl established the HSU Rumble Award for Excellence in Botany in 1972. She also volunteered at the Arcata Police Department.

She completed her Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts – Non Teaching in 2006 at the



age of 80.

Virginia was a very spiritual person. She tried, always, to be true to her church, her friends and her God.

The family would like to thank Timber Ridge for its excellent care of Virginia in the short time that she was there.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday June 18, at 1 p.m. at the Arcata Presbyterian Church at 11th and G streets, with a reception immediately following at the church.

❖ The Union publishes obituaries up to 250 words free of charge. Photos are welcome. Email with photos attached separately, to editor@madriverrunion.com by 5 p.m. Friday.

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See crossword on page B4

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
16-00152

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
MIGHTY MTN FARMS
16B CAPELL RD.
HOOPA, CA 95546
P.O. BOX 1391
HOOPA, CA 95546
BRANDON W. PFEIFFER
16B CAPELL RD.
HOOPA, CA 95546
This business is conducted by: A Individual
S/BRANDON W. PFEIFFER, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on 02/29/2016
KELLY E. SANDERS
MM DEPUTY CLERK
3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
16-00154

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
BOSS HOG FARMS
1983 HOLLY DR.
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
RYAN D. ROSS
1983 HOLLY DR.
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
This business is conducted by: An Individual
S/RYAN ROSS, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on 03/01/2016
KELLY E. SANDERS
MM DEPUTY CLERK
3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
16-00168

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
BROOKDALE FORTUNA
2401 REDWOOD WAY
FORTUNA, CA 95540
BROOKDALE VEHICLE HOLDING, LLC
200827410088
111 WESTWOOD
PLACE, SUITE 400
BRENTWOOD, TN 37027
This business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company
S/ERIC HOAGLUND, MANAGER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on 03/03/2016
KELLY E. SANDERS
AA DEPUTY CLERK
3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
16-00183

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
RENAISSANCE INTERNET
1033 G ST
ARCATA, CA 95521

THOMAS J. CAMOZZI
4392 BROWNS RD
EUREKA, CA 95503

This business is conducted by: An Individual
S/THOMAS J CAMOZZI, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on 03/09/2016
KELLY E. SANDERS
AA DEPUTY CLERK
3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
16-00128

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
HAPPY CAMPER REDWOOD TOURS
1029 11TH ST
ARCATA, CA 95521
HAPPY CAMPER REDWOOD TOURS LLC
1029 11TH ST
ARCATA, CA 95521
This business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company
S/JAKE A. DRAKE, CAMP DIRECTOR
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on 02/22/2016
KELLY E. SANDERS
MM DEPUTY CLERK
3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
16-00120

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
MOONRISE HERBS
826 G STREET
ARCATA, CA 95521
IRENE E. LEWIS
1970 COLUMBUS AVE.
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
This business is conducted by: An Individual
S/IRENE E. LEWIS, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on FEB. 17, 2016
KELLY E. SANDERS
Z. HALMAN DEPUTY
3/23, 3/30, 4/6, 4/13

ORDER TO SHOW
CAUSE FOR CHANGE
OF NAME

MELINDA K. MURRISH KEPNER FOR MADISON ZELANICK SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
CASE NO. CV160140
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner MELINDA K. MURRISH-KEPNER filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name: MADISON ELIZABETH ZELANICK to Proposed name MAD-

ISON ELIZABETH MURRISH.

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: April 4, 2016
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 8

3. A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: FEB. 11, 2016
ARNOLD ROSENFELD
Judge of the Superior Court
3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
ELSIE E. INIGUEZ SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
CASE NO. CV160125
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner ELSIE ELENA INIGUEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name: ELSIE ELENA INIGUEZ to Proposed name ELSIE ELENA GONSALVES.
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be

heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: April 11, 2016
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 8

3. A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: FEB. 11, 2016
ARNOLD ROSENFELD
Judge of the Superior Court
3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30

SUMMONS (JOINDER)
CASE NO.: FL140420
MARRIAGE OF PETITIONER: Kimberly Tritchler RESPONDENT: Silverio Sanchez CLAIMANT: Ronald S. Sanchez Sr. NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.
If you wish to seek the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your response or pleading, if any, may be filed on time.

ORDER TO SHOW
CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

ELSIE E. INIGUEZ SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
CASE NO. CV160125
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner ELSIE ELENA INIGUEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name: ELSIE ELENA INIGUEZ to Proposed name ELSIE ELENA GONSALVES.
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be

Eureka, CA 95501
Date: April 6, 2016
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Dept.: 6
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF LESLIE SUE GREIF aka LESLIE SUE WELSCH
CASE NO.: PR160082
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: LESLIE SUE GREIF aka LESLIE SUE WELSCH
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: DYLAN SCARLETT in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.
The Petition for Probate requests that: DYLAN SCARLETT be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: April 14, 2016
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 8
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the

AMENDED NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARY BARBARA DAVIS MORRIS
CASE NO.: PR160053
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: MARY BARBARA DAVIS MORRIS
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: ROBERT E. MORRIS in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.
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The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: April 14, 2016
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 8
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the

court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) **four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**
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Attorney for the petitioner: ARTHUR NIELSEN GALE & NIELSEN 2850 HARRIS STREET EUREKA, CA 95503 (707) 269-0167 3/23, 3/30, 4/6

AMENDED NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARY BARBARA DAVIS MORRIS
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CITATION FOR PUBLICATION UNDER WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE SECTION 294
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Case No.: JV140142-1, -2
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At the Public Hearing, all interested persons shall be afforded the opportunity to hear and be heard.

RESOLUTION 2016-06 3/23, 3/30, 4/6

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MCKINLEYVILLE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY AND COLLECT THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE MEASURE B MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT — RENEWAL FOR PARKS, OPEN SPACE, AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016/2017; ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT PREPARED IN CONNECTION THERETO; AND SETTING A TIME AND PLACE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THESE MATTERS

The Board of Directors of the McKinleyville Community Services District (MCSD) determined and resolved in part by Resolution 2016-06 as follows:
The Assessment Engineer of Work (the "Engineer") has prepared and filed with the Board Secretary an Engineer's Report (the "Report") in connection with the Assessment District and the levy of assessments for Fiscal Year 2016/2017 pursuant to Section 22623 of the Act and in accordance with Chapter 1, Article 4 of the Act and the provisions of the California State Constitution, Article XIII.D.

The Report was accepted and approved as submitted and ordered to be filed in the offices of MCSD as a permanent record and to remain open to public inspection. The Board of Directors declared its intention to levy and collect an assessment against the lots and parcels of land within the Assessment District for Fiscal Years 2016/2017 at the same assessment rate applied in the previous fiscal year as more fully described in the Report. Notice is hereby given that a public hearing on these matters will be held by the Board on Wednesday, April 6, 2016, beginning at 7:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as feasible, at Azalea Hall, located at 1620 Pickett Road, McKinleyville, California.
At the Public Hearing, all interested persons shall be afforded the opportunity to hear and be heard.



VITAL VOLUNTEERS Thanks to Amidia Frederick and Ryan Bernstein, left, of AmeriCorps, there were 65 volunteers representing AmeriCorps, California Conservation Corps (CCC), a local Arcata Cub Scout troupe and the general public at the Saturday, March 12 Janes Creek volunteer workday. Volunteers planted willow sprigs, creating linear wattles to create more willow habitat and to provide future shade in combating Reed Canary Grass. Site prep and willow sprig cutting for Saturday's workday was completed by the CCC Arcata non-residential crew during the previous week. In addition, AmeriCorps solicited food donations from Westside Pizza, Rita's Café, Safeway and Paul's Live from New York Pizza for the volunteers. The next volunteer workday is Saturday, March 26 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. working with the Volunteer Trail Stewards on a trail project at an as-yet-undetermined site in the Arcata Community Forest. PHOTOS COURTESY CITY OF ARCATA

Volunteers needed to keep Marsh Interpretive Center open

FRIENDS OF THE ARCATA MARSH – This is an urgent call for volunteers to keep the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center open, in order to greet visitors who come from down the street to around the globe. For instance, the center was closed for 14 hours on Saturdays and Sundays during February 2016 because no volunteers were available.

Friends of the Arcata Marsh and the City of Arcata ask all who enjoy recreating in our world-renowned Arcata Marsh to give something back to the place you love by becoming a volunteer. Weekend welcome desk shifts are four hours, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (Sometimes, shifts can be shared with two people each covering two hours.)

Training is scheduled at your convenience (weekdays between

9 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Interpretive Center) and takes about 45 minutes. You'll need to fill out paperwork and get a Live Scan (fingerprinted) at the Arcata Police Department (at no cost to you) before becoming an official City of Arcata volunteer.

Tasks include opening and closing the building, selling bookstore merchandise, answering questions about the Marsh and directing people to the bathrooms.

The experience of volunteering at the Interpretive Center is never the same from day to day, because you never know what interesting people will stop by and talk with you. Sometimes, things are slow and you can get a lot of reading, class work, or needlework done! Volunteers can now access wi-fi at the front desk.

(707) 826-2359, amic@cityofarcata.org

AUDUBON MARSH TRIP Join the Redwood Region Audubon Society on a free public field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on **Saturday, March 26**. Bring your binoculars and have a great morning birding! Meet leader Gary Friedrichsen in the parking lot at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata at 8:30 a.m., rain or shine. Trip ends around 11 a.m.

DUNES RESTORATION Help restore the Ma-le'l Dunes North Unit of the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge by removing invasive yellow bush lupines on **Saturday, March 26** from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Gloves, tools and snacks are provided. Please wear closed-toed shoes and bring drinking water. Meet at the Ma-le'l Dunes North parking area off Young Lane in Manila. (707) 444-1397, jess@friendsofthedunes.org

DUNES CLIMATE READINESS Understanding coastal processes is key to assessing coastal vulnerability and preparing for the adverse effects of climate change. Learn more about the multi-year Dunes Climate Ready Study on a hike, **Saturday, March 26** from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center. Enjoy a walk through the dunes to view a native beach grass nursery site and to see a demonstration of how data are collected to further understanding of coastal dynamics. For more information or to R.S.V.P., contact Friends of the Dunes at (707) 444-1397 or info@friendsofthedunes.org.

FOAM MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) sponsors a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on **Saturday, March 26** at 2 p.m. Meet

leader Milt Boyd at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the ecology of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. (707) 826-2359

SLOW MARSH TOUR On **Tuesday, March 29** at 2 p.m., Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) sponsors a free tour for those who love the Marsh and want to enjoy seeing it at a slower pace than regular Saturday tours. The tour will last 90 minutes across even, level ground and is suitable to attendees of all ages who want to learn and like camaraderie. Meet leaders Jane and Richard Wilson and John DeMartini at the first parking lot on South I Street in from Samoa Boulevard. This tour is held the last Tuesday of each month, come rain, shine or wind. (707) 822-3475

GEAR DONATIONS SOUGHT Friends of the Dunes needs you to donate or consign your gently used outdoor gear for the annual Get Outside Gear Sale, **Saturday, April 9** from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Lane in Manila. Admission is free. This popular fundraiser supports coastal education and conservation programs and is a great place to find deals on gear while enjoying live music, food, beer and kids activities. Donate that bike/surfboard/tent/fishing pole by dropping them off at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, or take your donation to Adventure's Edge in Arcata or Eureka during March and get a 15 percent off coupon to use at their stores. Typical gear includes camping and backpacking equipment, guides and maps, child carriers, bicycles, disc golf and more. friendsofthedunes.org, (707) 444-1397

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